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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s): Dirk BOECKER et al.

Serial No.: 09/981,483

Examiner: Jonathan M. FOREMAN

Filing Date: Oct. 16, 2001

Group Art Unit: 3736

Title: UNIVERSAL DIAGNOSTIC PLATFORM

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TOTAL CLAIMS	41	MINUS	20	= 21	X \$18	\$ 378
INDEP. CLAIMS	7	MINUS	3	= 4	X \$84	\$ 336
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$280	\$ 0
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Respectfully submitted,

Dirk BOECKER et al.

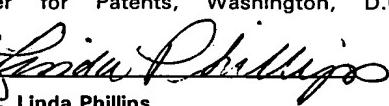
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action of January 30, 2003, Applicants request the Examiner to enter the following Amendment and consider the following remarks, culminating in allowance of the claims.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please substitute amended claims 10 and 12 for the pending claims having the same number. A marked-up version of the amended claims is attached in the Appendix. Please add new claims 21 through 41.

10. (Amended) A method for portable medical analysis comprising:
obtaining a body fluid from a tissue punctured with a lancet, the lancet being
driven by a driving mechanism;
housing said body fluid within a cartridge comprising an assay sensor module;
positioning said cartridge into an analytical detector module;

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